



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **NISHIUCHI, Takeshi et al.**

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For. **DEPOSITED-FILM FORMING APPARATUS**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Date: April 12, 2004

Sir:

This is a Preliminary Amendment for the above-captioned application. Entry of the following amendments and remarks, re-examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested.